

Husband's Name:

JOSEF HASZAY

Born:

Spisská Ľ Majer, Kežmarok, Slovakia

Bapt:

2 February 1823

Spisská Stará Ves, Kežmarok, Slovakia

Married:

9 February 1843

Spisská Stará Ves, Kežmarok, Slovakia

Died:

Buried:

Father:

ŠIMON HASZAY

Mother:

MÁRIA VOJTAS

Wife's Name:

MÁRIA ZADYORA

Bapt:

16 March 1819

Spisská Stará Ves, Kežmarok, Slovakia

Died:

Buried:

Father:

Mother:

ANNA ZADYORA

Issue:

Baptized:

Where:

1) ANDREAS HASZAY	3 December 1843	Spisská Stará Ves, Kežmarok, Slovakia
2) FRANZ/FERENCZ HASZAY	17 September 1846	Spisská Stará Ves, Kežmarok, Slovakia
3) SOPHIA HASZAY	8 February 1849	Spisská Stará Ves, Kežmarok, Slovakia
4) JAN HASZAY	20 May 1851	Spisská Stará Ves, Kežmarok, Slovakia
5) MARIA HASZAY	8 December 1853	Spisská Stará Ves, Kežmarok, Slovakia
6) ANNA HASZAY	6 June 1856	Spisská Stará Ves, Kežmarok, Slovakia
7) KATARINA HASZAY	1 January 1860	Spisská Stará Ves, Kežmarok, Slovakia

The name HASZAY is sometimes spelled HASSAY and the name ZADYORA is sometimes spelled ZADIORA and ZAGYORA.

They were married in a double ceremony in Spisská Stará Ves conducted by PAVOL BASZISZTA. JOSEF's older brother JÁN married MÁRIA's younger sister KATARINA ZADYORA. The Parish Marriage Register, written in Latin, includes abbreviations before the grooms and brides names. JOSEF and JÁN are *juv*, short for *juvenis*, meaning young man. KATARINA has *virgo* which literally translates as virgin but was used to designate (1) a young woman, (2) a woman who had never been married and/or (3) a virgin. MARIA's name is preceded by *defl*, short for *deflorata*, literally deflowered, meaning she was not a virgin when she married. How did FATHER BASZISZTA happen to know this seemingly intimate fact? She probably had a child out of wedlock. Unfortunately a review of the Baptismal Registers has not turned up such a child. Witnesses were ANTON KOHÚT and JÁN KOLLER. Both couples would have announced their betrothal at Church on a Sunday after which they would walk through Spisská Stará Ves and Spisská Ľ Majer inviting friends and family to the upcoming wedding. They may have been accompanied by an escort or a musician through the villages. Weddings were held on Mondays or Thursdays, in this case it was on Thursday. On Wednesday evening, the 8th of February, the couples would host a *obigraľky* – a dance lasting all night – for the guests; the brides and grooms

stopped at midnight. In the morning hours of their wedding day they would visit their parent's homes and bid farewell to their single life. The wedding would follow at the Church and then a reception would usually begin at the home of the bride's parents and continue at the groom's until midnight. Then on Friday the 10th all the relatives would gather for a celebratory feast. Of course the presence of MARIA'S young child (assuming that's how the Priest knew she wasn't virginal) may have put a damper on the festivities.

After their marriage they lived at No. 19 in Spisská Ľ Majer where they are found in the 1869 census. The names of 6 of what are most likely their children are found in that record however two have their data lined through: FRANZ and MARIA. More research is necessary to determine why that is. The children were baptized in Spisská Stará Ves.¹ Of note is the absence of any child of MARIA'S she may have had before marrying – of course that child would be 26 years old and probably married by this time. An oddity appears in that *Altendorf* is given as the place of birth which is the German name of neighboring Ófalu. This is not consistent throughout as Ófalu is used with other entries. Their home is described as being single story with 1 bedroom and an indoor pantry. There is also a stall and a pen to hold their livestock which included a cow, 2 oxen, 5 sheep and 2 pigs.

Issue:

- 1) **KATARINA HASZAY**: born 30 December 1859; christened 1 January 1860 in Spisská Stará Ves by PAVOL BASZISZTA. Her Godparents were JÁN and MÁRIA (OGIBOVITS) SZOJA. She married **JOSEF KUTARNYA** on 25 June 1884. (continued in separate file)

¹ Slovakia Church and Synagogue Records, 1592-1935, Kežmarok district, accessed 2 January 2022 on familysearch.org.